

Richmond, Aug. 5, 1836.

William Lloyd Esq.

My Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of yours of the 3rd inst. and have perused it with much pleasure.

Your paper of the 27th has not yet come to hand. I however have borrowed a copy from Mr. Rogers. Your notice of the "Messenger" is well and judiciously entered. Your exordium is beautiful. If any thing I should say you that you have praised the July No. far above its deserts. Still if you spoke as you thought of it, I am sure I ought not to grumble. I asked your "candid" opinion — and your doubtless gave it. I am grateful to you for having done so.

I have had a great deal of sickness in my office, among my best hands, ever since the 4th July. This has thrown me all in the back ground again — and will prevent me from bringing out the Aug. No. earlier than the 20th. Nevertheless, I will on next Thursday send you as many loose sheets of it as I may think I have ready — and you may go to work on it in regular order (taking care to let no one else see the sheets) — cutting up every thing that may in your opinion merit such treatment — and on the other hand, saying a good word in favor of all the articles which may merit eulogy. Fair play, is all I ask, — now, from your candid way of speaking, I am sure I shall that, at your hands.

Now say, if you saw make yourself of any service to me in your City you would cheerfully do so. I do not know precisely what to say on this head.



Suppose, however, you call on W.W. Swenden, who pro-  
posed to act as my agent in New York — and have  
some conversation with him on the subject. It  
would be particularly gratifying to me, just now,  
or indeed at any other time to receive about  
100 paying subscribers from New York. The push I have  
made with the Messenger has been a total one —  
and it will require the 2000 you speak of to bring  
me out whole again as the 3rd number.

I regularly mail the Messenger to your  
office — the dues No. was directed by myself. I also  
sent you a perfect No. of the 2<sup>nd</sup> issue. This even-  
ing I shall send you a duplicate of the same;  
preventing you at the same time all the No.  
as far as purchase of the 2<sup>nd</sup> No. for your own  
use. I shall likewise enter your name as a  
paid subscriber — and will, if possible, purchase  
you a copy of the 1<sup>st</sup> volume so soon as I can  
hear of one for sale. — For all of which I  
positively refuse to receive one cent in  
money. — Your labor — your time — is  
money — and I will not have the use of it  
without giving you some recompense — even if  
it is in sheets of my really unpicturing pe-  
riodical.

When you can find time, I hope you  
will carry out your intention — and add to  
the variety of my columns. I am very certain that  
any thing you may attempt will be received  
by us — and by the public also with favor.

Your opinion of the "Miner" is not an  
uncommon one. I see by the compiler that the editor  
of a Hatching paper thinks with you also.

Respectfully, D. W. White.



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